

*Stated Meeting February 1, 1907.*

President SMITH in the Chair.

The decease was announced of Sir Michael Foster, F.R.S., on January 29, 1907, æt. 71.

PROF. EDWARD P. CHEYNEY read a paper on "The Roman Wall in Britain."

*Stated Meeting February 15, 1907.*

President SMITH in the Chair.

The following invitations were received:

From the Chicago Historical Society inviting this Society to be represented at the commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation on February 7, 1907, and Prof. A. A. Michelson was appointed as the Society's delegate on the occasion.

From the Seventh International Zoölogical Congress inviting the Society to be represented at the Congress to be held in Boston on August 19-23, 1907.

From the University of Upsala inviting the Society to be represented at the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Carolus Linnaeus on May 22d and 23d next. Dr. William W. Keen was appointed to represent the Society at this celebration.

The following communications were received:

From the Chancellor of the Smithsonian Institution announcing the appointment of Dr. Charles D. Walcott as Secretary of the Institution to succeed the late Samuel Pierpont Langley, deceased.

From the University of Aberdeen acknowledging the Society's congratulatory address on the occasion of its Quatercentenary.

From Mr. John H. Harjes, of Paris, presenting two large bronze plaques, and on motion the following minute was unanimously adopted:

Mr. John H. Harjes, with great and generous kindness, has presented to the Philosophical Society two *bas reliefs* commemorative of historic incidents in the life of Benjamin Franklin. One represents his reception by the King of France, the other commemorates the signing of the Treaty of Paris. Both are originals, of

which copies are upon the pediment of the statue of Franklin recently presented by Mr. Harjes to the City of Paris.

In accepting these beautiful examples of a difficult art, this Society returns its heartiest thanks to Mr. Harjes for his thoughtful generosity, and assures him of its thorough appreciation of the manner in which he has enriched France and America with appropriate gifts. Such acts of liberal patriotism promote mutual sympathy and amity among nations.

The American Philosophical Society will prize these gifts as enduring ornaments and choice possessions, and upon its walls they shall forever tell their story of the beneficent labors and unending fame of its illustrious founder.

The decease was announced of Prof. Dmitri Ivanovitch Mendeleef at St. Petersburg on February 2, 1907, æt. 73.

DR. DAVID L. EDSALL read a paper on "Occupational Poisoning," which was discussed by Profs. Goodspeed and Smyth, Mr. Goodwin, Dr. Keller and others.

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Letter of acceptance of membership was received from Prof. August Weismann.

An invitation was received from the Board of Control of the Michigan Agricultural College inviting this Society to be represented at the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the institution on May 28-31 next, at Lansing, and Dr. William Powell Wilson was appointed to represent the Society thereat.

DR. ALLEN J. SMITH presented a paper on "The Mosquitoes as Bearers of Diseases," which was discussed by Doctors Cleemann, Harshberger, A. E. Brown and Conklin.

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The decease was announced of C. Percy La Roche, M.D., at Rome, on March 12, æt. 73.